STATE OF MONTANA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 23-05

EXECUTIVE ORDER PROCLAIMING A DISASTER TO EXIST IN CITY OF GLENDIVE, MONTANA

WHEREAS, on October 4 & 5, 2005, a large weather system produced a heavy wet snow in eastern Montana and the City of Glendive; and

WHEREAS, the heavy wet snow from this storm caused extensive damage to the urban forest within the City of Glendive; and

WHEREAS, the heavy wet snow created a substantial amount of debris from broken limbs, branches and uprooted trees and caused power outages thereby creating a significant public health and safety hazard; and

WHEREAS, the City of Glendive, anticipating debris removal costs resulting from this storm would exceed the city's capability to finance, has declared a disaster, and levied the two (2) mill emergency levy; and

WHEREAS, the emergency is beyond the financial capability of the City of Glendive to respond; and

WHEREAS, the City of Glendive has sent the Governor a letter requesting supplemental disaster relief from the state; and

WHEREAS, the availability and utilization of all necessary state government services, equipment and supplies under this proclamation will further the efforts to protect health and safety and preserve the lives, property and resources of the people of the City of Glendive and the State of Montana; and

WHEREAS, a proclamation of a disaster authorizes the Governor under Section 10-3-311, MCA, to expend funds from the general fund, in the amount necessary, to meet contingencies and needs arising from these conditions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Brian Schweitzer, Governor of the State of Montana, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Governor under the Constitution of the State of Montana, Title 10, Chapter 3, MCA, and under other applicable statutes, do hereby declare that a disaster exists in City of Glendive, State of Montana.

This Order is effective October 4, 2005.

GIVEN under my hand and the GREAT SEAL of the State of Montana, this Day of November 2005.

BRIAN SCHVELTZER, Governor

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